The hon. the PRESIDENT :—"If the Government say that they are not prepared to furnish any further information and if the hon. Member is of opinion that the information furnished is not sufficient, it is a direct negative. I think it is open to him to raise the question in a separate form and take other opportunities."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—"You have been referring to other 'opportunities.' I frankly say there are no opportunities. What are the opportunities? If we send up resolutions they never come. The questions come weeks after. The adjournment motions usually get disallowed by the Governor. What are we to do?"

Mr. P. L. MOORE :—"On a point of order, Mr. President, is the hon. Member in order in discussing the ruling which you, as President, have given?"

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—"So far as I have heard, you have not given any ruling, Sir. You have given me a suggestion which I am accepting. I am asking you to give a ruling. And if you are giving a ruling, I will take it in a much better spirit than those sitting on the other side."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—"It is not correct to say that it is not a supplementary question. It is a question of a sort and I would advise the hon. Member to put the question again. He has agreed to do so and I think we may close the question for the present at that."

Nomination of Mr. R. Ramaswami Nayudu to the Dindigul Municipality.

* 122 *Q.*—Mr. R. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Mr. R. Ramaswami Nayudu was nominated as a member of the Dindigul Municipal Council in April last on the recommendation by telegram of the Collector of Madura;

(*b*) the necessity for taking this extraordinary step instead of following the usual correspondence;

(*c*) whether at the time of nominating the said Mr. R. Ramaswami Nayudu the Government were aware that a Civil Revision Petition filed by him against the order of the Subordinate Judge declaring his election void was pending in the High Court;

(*d*) whether subsequent to nomination the Civil Revision Petition was withdrawn by him;

(*e*) whether the said Mr. R. Ramaswami Nayudu stood for the Chairmanship in May 1924 and was defeated; and

(*f*) whether any representations were made by him to Government to deprive the Council of the privilege of electing its Chairman?

A.—(*a*) The answer is in the affirmative. The Collector has sent a telegram in addition to the usual official communication.

(*b*) There was nothing extraordinary in the step taken by the Collector.

(*c*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*d*) The Government have no information.

(*e*) Mr. Ramaswami Nayudu stood for the chairmanship and one party represented that he was defeated.

(*f*) The answer is in the negative.

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Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—" Arising out of clause (*a*), may I ask the hon. the Minister whether the telegram preceded the usual official communication or not? "

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" Yes."

Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—" May I also ask what interval elapsed between the sending of the telegram and the usual official communication? "

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" I cannot say that off-hand; I would like to have notice of the question."

Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—" May I ask whether the step taken by the Collector is the one that is usually taken or taken only in exceptional circumstances? "

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" Sir, the Collectors do send telegrams when the nominations are urgent. They do wire to the Government making the necessary recommendations."

Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—" Therefore am I to understand that this case was treated as an exceptional case? "

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" It is not an exceptional case."

Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—" May I know from the hon. the Minister as to whether he is prepared to say that Mr. Ramaswami Nayudu was defeated or not? "

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" I cannot say that. It is for a court to decide."

Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—" Does he maintain that he was elected? "

Mr. A. Chidambara Nadar :—" May I know whether Government also sent a telegram appointing Mr. Ramaswami Nayudu as a member? "

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" I think so, Sir."

Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar :—" May I know whether there was a vacancy for Mr. Ramaswami Nayudu being appointed? "

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" There must have been a vacancy. Without a vacancy no nomination could have been made."

Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar :—" When the previous question was put, Government refused to answer and that is why I put this question."

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" There must have been a vacancy."

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—" With reference to clause (*c*), may I ask the reasons why when Mr. Ramaswami Nayudu's election was held invalid by a subordinate judge he was nominated to the Dindigul Municipal Council while when the subordinate judge held the election valid, Mr. Prakasa Rao's name had not even been gazetted? Is it because the one belongs to the Justice party and the other to the Congress party?"

The hon. the Raja of Panagal :—" Certainly not, Sir. It is because the authority whose duty it was to recommend did recommend in the one case and there was no such recommendation in the other case."

Mr. P. ANJANEYALU :—" May I know on what principle these nominations are made, because we see that members who are defeated in elections are being nominated? May I know whether there is any policy in these nominations?"

The hon. the RAJA OF PANAGAL :—" I have only to refer the hon. Member to the provisions of the Act."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" The hon. Minister talked of recommendations in both the cases. Evidently he was not talking from the papers. In the one case it was an election and there need be no recommendation. That is in the case of Mr. Prakasa Rao. I am asking why in the case of the elected member his name was withheld, while in the case of another gentleman whose election was declared invalid he was nominated post-haste?"

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I may be mistaken in my recollection but was it not the case that this very point was fully threshed out by means of supplementary questions? If that is so, I do not want to go over the same ground again."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" I am asking why Mr. Ramaswami Nayudu was nominated when his election was declared invalid, while in another case where the election was held valid it was not even notified. I wish to know whether there is any policy in all these."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I do not wish to allow an argument to be based on a matter which was put in a supplementary question."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" Is it the policy of Government to nominate Justice Party candidates even though their election might be held to be invalid by competent courts?"

The hon. the RAJA OF PANAGAL :—" Sir, Justice Party or Injustice Party, when the candidates are recommended by the authorities and when the Government think that there is nothing against those recommendations they are accepted."

Mr. P. N. MARTHANDAM PILLAI :—" Is it a disqualification, Sir, to be nominated because he belongs to the Justice Party?"

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" Is that the only qualification, Sir?"

Public Health.

Provision for obtaining untainted vaccine.

*123 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) what are the various precautions taken in this province for providing vaccinators with untainted vaccine;

(b) through which authorities the vaccine is sent to the district centres and from the district centres to other local centres; and

(c) where the vaccine is prepared, by whom, under what supervision and control and subject to what precautionary measures?